



PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant: Jay W. Grate et al.
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Entitled: PHOTOPATTERNABLE SORBENT AND
FUNCTIONALIZED FILMS
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RESPONSE

The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 22, 2002, relating to the above-identified application, the applicant elects the invention of group I, involving claims 1, 2, 4, 6-31, 38-50, 101 and 102. This election is made with traverse.

REMARKS

Pursuant to the Examiner's requirement, applicants have elected the Group I claims, i.e. 1, 2, 4, 6-31, 38-50, 101, 102. The election is made with traverse.

Applicants submit that the Group I and Group II claims relate to different aspects of the same invention. For example, claim 1 and 103 both include the step of placing on

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